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EXPANSION OF NATIONAL CHILD LABOUR PROJECT
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of child labourers rescued during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise;

(b) the norms prescribed for the selection of districts for implementing National Child Labour Project (NCLP);

(c) the number and names of districts covered under NCLP in the country, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to expend the NCLP and the fund allocated for the purpose to all the districts where child labourers are still prevailing during Eleventh Plan;

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(f) the number of child labourers are likely to be benefited therefrom alongwith the funds allocated for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a): Under the National Child Labour Project (NCLP) Scheme, children engaged in hazardous jobs are rescued and withdrawn from work. The number of such children enrolled in the special schools under the scheme during the last three years is as per the statement at Annexure-I.

(b): The districts are identified on the basis of endemicity of child labour as per the Census data and also on the recommendation of the concerned State Government.

(c): The National Child Labour Project (NCLP) is being implemented in 250 districts of the country for the rehabilitation of working children. State-wise details are as per the statement at Annexure-II.

(d) to (f): Government has proposed expansion of National Child Labour Project (NCLP) Scheme to all child labour endemic districts during the XI Five Year Plan, in order to increase the coverage of child labour under this scheme.